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ARE YOU IN FOR A GOOD TIME--To-morrow night, Tuesday Dec. 21st, if so, come to the Christmas Entertainment to be given by the Sunday School of the Pandora Avenue Methodist Church. A grand programme has been provided. Admission 15 cents.

GARDENER WANTED--In January. Apply by letter, with references as to character and experience, to Bishop's Close, Victoria, B.C.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN--In Victoria West, white and black spotted English setter dog, about eight months old, will answer to the name of "Buddy". Any person harboring the same after this notice will be prosecuted. Thos. D. Gold, 20-11.

WANTED--Woman or good girl, for light house work. Apply 8 Kane street.

IT IS NOT GENERALLY KNOWN that the price for ladies' tickets to the entertainment, and grand ball given at A. O. U. W. Hall next Wednesday is only 25c. Through an oversight the price for ladies' tickets was left off the printed cards.

DON'T FORGET the Military Social dance at Drill Hall on Wednesday next. Tickets: gentlemen \$1, ladies 50c. each. To be obtained at Secretary's Office, Major Muirby, at Drill Hall, at 1100's Government street, or at the door Wednesday night.

HOME WORK FOR FAMILIES--We want the services of a number of families to do work for us at home. Good steady pay for the whole or spare time. The work we send our workers is quickly and easily done, and returned to us by parcel post as finished. For particulars ready to commence send name and address, The S. A. Supply Co., Robinson Hall, London, Ont.

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COAL OR WOOD--Leave orders with Mun, Holland & Co., Broad street, opposite Dr. Dried.

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STOP until Wednesday next and buy your Xmas gifts of Jewellery, Silverware and Notions at Jones' Auction Rooms.

\$5.00--No. 1 double screened household coal, per ton of 2,000 pounds, delivered to any part of the city. Hall, Gosnell & Co., 300 Government street. Telephone call No. 83.

BOXING GLOVES, Punching Bags, Foot-balls, etc., new stock at J. Barnsley's, 119 Government street.

GOLF BALLS and BOXING GLOVES--A new stock just received by Henry Short & Sons, Gunmakers, 72 Douglas street.

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HAS SECURED FOR

THIS WEEK--SIX NIGHTS ONLY

The greatest attraction which has ever played Victoria, Stuart's Vitaphone of the CORBETT-FITZSIMMONS fight at Carson City, March 17th.

This is the only correct and authorized representation of the event. Complete in its every detail from the preliminaries to the end of 14th and last round. Over 13,000 feet of film used. Performance commences at 8.15 sharp. Admission 25 and 50 cents.

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Double Screened Alexandra Coal. . . \$5.00 ton. Do. Back of Lump, Wellington 5.00 ton. First Quality Dry Wood. 3.25 cord

Full weight and measure guaranteed. All orders executed day received. Telephone in name G. G. & Co., No. 407.

Take the ALL-CANADIAN ROUTE To 58 Fort St.

to have your Umbrellas re-handled, re-covered and repaired. Keys fitted and locks repaired in any part of the city on short notice. Every description of keys in stock or made to order. Any mechanical repairs.

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Work Guaranteed.

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Are in Quality and Price Without Exception the Very Best Made.

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AUCTION

TUESDAY, DEC. 21st, at 2 P.M.

Works of Art, Oil and Water Color Paintings

At my rooms, Yates street, a consignment of English Water Colors and Oil Paintings of Landscape and other subjects. Several of these pictures have been exhibited at the Royal Academy.

G. BYRNER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION

Jewelry, Unredeemed Pledges, Xmas Presents.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22, at 11 A.M.

At my sales-rooms, Yates street, I will sell a quantity of Fine Jewellery, Diamond Earrings, Rings and Brooches, Diamond Sets, Earrings and Brooches, Ladies' Watch Sets, with Diamonds and Rubies, Opal and Diamond and Sapphire Rings, Solid Gold Chains, Ladies' Long Gold Chains and Bracelets, Gold Straps and assortment of Gold and Silver Watches, and numerous other articles.

All goods sold will be guaranteed as represented. Dec. 19-21.

G. BYRNER, Auctioneer.

THIS WILL BE EVERYBODY'S NIGHT.

A Gentleman's Night!
A Lady's Night!
A Sportsman's Night!
A Horseman's Night!

And in fact it will be everybody's night at the

CITY & MARKET HALL.

Tuesday Night, Dec. 21

A FIGHT

TO A FINISH

BETWEEN

PROF. O. R. GLEASON

THE HOUSE KING AND

THE MAN-KILLING HORSE

The Canada Thunderbolt.

This is the most vicious horse in British Columbia; he will arrive here by boat on Tuesday morning; also a number of other vicious horses will arrive on the same boat from Westminster. Seven head of vicious brutes will be tamed on Tuesday night. Every horse is a stud.

ADMISSION to all parts of the house, 50 CENTS.

XMAS PRESENTS

We have a fine assortment of Toilet Cases, Leather Travelling Cases, Rogers & Gal-ler's Perfumes, etc.

HALL & CO., Dispensing Chemists, Clarence Block, cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.

NOT DONE FIGHTING.

Durrant's Father Will Try Again to Save His Son's Life.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.--The father of Theodore Durrant, the condemned murderer, says:

"We have not given up the fight for my son's life. We will try to get a writ of error from the state supreme court of the United States supreme court. If this is denied we will go direct to the latter court and make application, that is, if we can raise the money, for the expenses of the long litigation has impoverished us."

people is in no way connected with St. Catherine's Home for Old Ladies. All donations will be kindly received as before by Mrs. McDonald, matron.

MORE POLICE FOR THE YUKON

Another Detachment, One Hundred and Fifty Strong, to Leave Early in January.

Post Office Department Adopts Postal Note System in Vogue in the United Kingdom.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.--The government has decided to send 150 more Mounted Police to the Yukon. They will be selected in the Regina district. The first detachment will leave early in January. More supplies will also be sent forward and fifty more dogs.

Hon. Mr. Mullock has decided to adopt the postal note system in vogue in the United Kingdom. The system will come into operation on July 1st, 1898. Paper notes, about the size of bank notes, will be printed in thin linen paper of the following denominations: Twenty, twenty-five, thirty, forty, fifty, sixty, seventy, eighty and ninety cents; one dollar, one dollar and a half, two dollars, two dollars and a half, four and five dollars. The cost of purchasing them will be one cent each up to forty cents, two cents between that figure and \$2.50, and three cents each for all above that. The postal notes will replace the post office money orders for the transmission of all small sums through the post. The postal notes will be a great convenience and will do away with the payment of small accounts in postage stamps. No identification will be necessary to pay postal notes, presentation being all that is necessary to secure payment. The postmaster-general has authorized a change to be made with reference to mail matter from Victoria, B.C., to several places on the Stickeen road as far north from Fort Wrangel as Lake Testin. A carrier will leave Victoria about the 15th of January, and the mail will be confined to letters. The nature of the route precludes the conveyance of bulky matter.

Hon. Mr. Sifton has decided to send Frank Pedley, commissioner of immigration at Ottawa, out to the Crow's Nest Pass to investigate for the government complaints of laborers employed on construction. He will leave immediately. Inspector Wood writes the interior department from Skagway, stating that Major Walsh lost one of his boats and some provisions while entering Lake Labarge. A man named Freeman, from Seattle, who was with the party, was drowned.

Alex. Berg, who owns the charter for a railway line from the Stickeen river across to Teslin lake, is in Ottawa today in connection with this project. He has forced the promotion of the scheme for this line which the C.P.R. now talks of constructing.

The customs authorities have had too frequent friction with the post office department over packages brought into the country by post. A new regulation promulgated to-day will make the law much more strict and obviate the free entry of many packages which should pay duty.

JAPAN NOT A CATSPA.

Declines to be Drawn Into Hawaiian Controversy.

Washington, Dec. 18.--The views attributed to ex-Secretary Foster in a recent interview to the Associated Press in relation to the danger of Japanese domination in Hawaii in the event of the failure of annexation, have occasioned much comment among the Japanese officials in this city. The Japanese minister said to-day that in his opinion it was hardly fair to attempt to draw Japan into the annexation controversy in this manner.

"Every well informed person," said he, "knows that Japan is holding strictly aloof from that controversy, and that her government has given conclusive proof of the fact that it has no designs, immediate or remote, upon the Hawaiian Islands. The friends of annexation might therefore afford to allow the question to be settled upon its merits without constantly endeavoring to use Japan as a cat-spaw."

"The alleged danger of Japanese domination has always been a strong argument with some of the overzealous friends of annexation, but it has been repeatedly refuted, and its repetition can serve no good purpose now. Japanese immigration in Hawaii involves no other question than that of demand and supply."

"He has no purpose of 'dominating' Hawaii, and since the facts clearly indicate that the presence of Japanese laborers in the islands in greater or smaller numbers is something which depends entirely upon natural causes, her friends feel that they are justified in strongly deprecating the irritating repetition of this discredited argument about the dangers of Japanese domination."

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ALL EYES ON PORT ARTHUR

British Far Eastern Squadron Shortly Expected to Proceed to That Point.

Peculiar Incidents in Connection With Russia's Occupation of the Harbor.

Berlin, Sept. 20.--The Paris correspondent of the Cologne Gazette telegraphs his paper that he learns on reliable authority that the Russian occupation of Port Arthur is connected with the visit there of the British ship Daphne a week ago, when, in spite of the protests of the Chinese, the Daphne entered the inner harbor, allegedly to ascertain whether Russian ships were there. China complained of the incident to the representatives of the powers in Peking.

The British far eastern squadron is said to be at Tientsin, and according to the correspondent mentioned, is shortly expected at Port Arthur. The Cologne Gazette regards the occupation as a continuance of the co-operation of Germany with Russia in the eastern Asia.

Osborne, Isle of Wight, Dec. 20.--Prime Henry of Prussia slept at Osborne after visiting the Queen and returned on board the German cruiser Deutschland at 10:30 this morning. If the weather permits sailing, he will resume his journey to China to-morrow morning. The customary salutes were exchanged this morning.

London, Dec. 20.--An unconfirmed report is current here that part of the British far eastern squadron will be stationed at Wei-Hai-Wei this winter. If true this indicates that Great Britain is working with Japan. The latter still occupies Wei-Hai-Wei pending the payment of the Chinese war indemnity.

The evening newspapers are much disturbed over the situation. "What do we get?" is the burden of their complaint. They all insist on the necessity of immediate action.

The Globe says: "Russia and Germany now have the two most important strategic positions in Northern China, and Great Britain, whose commercial interests are greater, must be content with the crumbs from St. Petersburg and Berlin tables."

The Pall Mall Gazette, in reply to the Standard's inquiry as to America's attitude, remarks: "Every naval state in the world is concerned in the disturbance of the equilibrium in the far east, Great Britain, France and Japan especially, but the United States cannot be treated as a quantity and be ignored. The time acquiescence with these relations is not merely our pain and fatal to our future. We may remark, we shall not be without sympathizers, as the Japanese will most joyfully back any scheme to redress the bitter humiliation they suffered at the hands of Russia."

Advises received from Paris show that France is awaiting Great Britain's action. If Great Britain follows the lead of Russia and occupies a sea port, France forthwith follows it.

London, Dec. 20.--At the inquest to-day on the remains of Wm. Terriss, the actor, a coroner's jury rendered a verdict of wilful murder. William Terriss was stabbed and killed on Thursday night.

"Mer" Richard Arthur, principally known as "Mad Art," as the actor was about to enter the stage door.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

C.P.R. Business Booming--La Minerve Causes Publication.

Perth, Dec. 20.--An order has been received at the C.P.R. shops for fifteen hundred box cars.

Kingston, Dec. 20.--Rev. G. L. Starr, of Norway, has been appointed to succeed Rev. Beamish as curate of St. George's Cathedral.

Montreal, Dec. 20.--La Minerve, the French morning Conservative paper, which has been published continually for forty-four years, suspended publication owing to lack of funds.

W. C. Macdonald has made another gift of \$300,000 to the McGill University. His total contribution now amounts to about two and a half million dollars.

JACK DALTON'S VIEWS

On the Proposed Relief Expedition to Dawson City.

Seattle, Dec. 20.--Jack Dalton, after whom the Dalton trail is named speaking of the proposed relief expedition of the United States government to Alaska, said:

"The proposal to use the reindeer teams does not strike me as being the right thing."

"Instead of reindeer the department ought to get together a large number of hard horses. Sufficient food should be taken along to feed them, and they could do better work than the reindeer. I would use sleds in carrying food for the men, and provisions for the horses. To handle reindeer expeditiously it would be necessary to have relay stations established a day's journey apart, with food for the animals at these stations."

Mr. Dalton, speaking as in the here route by which to take in relief, said he would go over the Chilcotin pass and then down the lakes and Yukon river over the ice.

Mr. George Brown will offer at auction at his apartments to-morrow at 2 p.m., a large number of photos, tapestry water color paintings, some of them by famous artists.

Provincial Press

—Is Saying—

(Vancouver World.)

When the Globe asserts that the British Columbia government is discredited, we brand the assertion as a deliberate falsehood. Although in the far west, and located on the rugged edges of the confederated provinces forming the Dominion of Canada, we know our business and what is required of us, and such Jim Crow journals as the Globe of late have proved itself to be will make a note of the fact that it will be in better taste for them to look after the frying of the fact in their own pans.

(Vancouver News-Advertiser.)

Things appear to be getting a little "mixed" in regard to some journals in this province which are nominally Liberal in their views. Who would have thought that any newspaper claiming such fealty to that party that it keeps standing a line—Triumphant Liberalism—so as to be ready for use whenever a dispatch from the east arrives stating that "Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the cynosure of all eyes when he appeared on the platform, decorated with the collar and star of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George and the Golden Medal, should in a little bit of space call the sedate and ponderous Globe a "Jim Crow" journal? Truly we have fallen on evil days when "the reputed father of Liberalism in British Columbia" utters such a fearful slander on a journal, on the greatness of which in happier bygone days, it was never tired of dilating and which from a ludicrous ignorance of the real circumstances, has caused the appellation to be given to the London Times—it is constantly referred to as the Canadian Thunderer. But much has happened since then and a senatorial fly in the ointment of party patronage has given a wintry and desolate aspect to the horizon of possible political preferment.

The shocking crime of the Globe which has caused it to be labelled as a "Jim Crow" journal, is its omission to go into ecstasies on the fact that the price of British Columbia stocks in the London market had advanced one per cent. In the latter part of November, it is to be presumed that the Globe has on its staff those who are more conversant with financial affairs than its fiery critic appears to be. That being the case, the writer in the Globe would be aware of the fact that at the end of this month a half year's dividend of one and a half per cent. will be paid on the stock and that dealings in it at the present time are based on that fact. When the stock is quoted "ex-dividend," as it will be after Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co., with whom the inscribed stock is domiciled, have prepared the dividend lists, the quotations will drop 1½ per cent. But that fall in the quotation of the stock will no more indicate a depreciation in the financial position of British Columbia on the London market than the advance, caused by the approach of the date when the dividend is payable, shows that the credit of the province has suddenly appreciated there.

(Rossland Miner.)

The irony of fate was demonstrated in an incident connected with the sad death of the late Edward P. Suydam, who, in a moment of despondency, put a bullet through his brain. Two or three days after the tragedy a letter was received from an associate of the unfortunate man, who was interested with him in the Alaska, a prospect located near Grand Forks. This letter stated that since Mr. Suydam and left for Rossland a find of great value had been encountered. It consisted of a vein of seven feet of copper ore that went high in gold. This strike, the partner wrote, meant a small fortune for both, and he cautioned against selling it except for a good stiff price. It is more than probable that had Suydam been informed of this fact, which was known to his partner at the very hour he killed himself, that it would have stayed his hand and he would have looked on life as a jolly thing, and not too great a burden to be borne. Instead of filling a suicide's grave, as he does at the present, he would have been full of hope, with a future that looked rosy before him. It shows that at times all human chances play a most important part in the affairs of men.

After hearing of this incident who will say that there is no such thing as luck in the affairs of mankind? Suydam had labored for months trying to develop, so that he could place them on the market and realize something, the Alaska and other prospects in which he was interested. No strike of importance was made on any of them, and he came to this city for the purpose of disposing of some of them in order to raise money with which to carry on operations on the others. Nothing but disappointment was met with here, and he became discouraged and ended his existence. Had he been lucky enough, however, to have made that strike on the Alaska before he came here, how different would have been the result?

(Kamloops Sentinel.)

That there will be a change of administration within the next twelve months is the belief of almost every elector in the up country who has given the matter a moment's serious consideration. Dissatisfaction with the methods of the Turner "agglomeration" is as widespread as it is deep. That there must be a change, and one, too, of a very radical nature, is the general opinion. Of late more careful consideration has been given to the legislation and administrative methods of the government by the electorate. There has been a greater degree of interest evinced in provincial affairs than at any previous period in the history of the province. The electors apparently realize, as they never did before, that good government is as essential to the prosperity of the country as the development of her natural resources. Bad government in the past has resulted in the alienation of a very considerable portion of the natural resources of this province, the development of which now means the enriching of a few instead of many. Bad government has to a very great extent placed the control of provincial affairs in the hands of such men as the Dunsmuirs, Ritchies, Helms and others of that class, whose aim is certainly not to benefit the people, but to enrich themselves at their expense. It

is the knowledge—brought home by painful experience—of these facts that has aroused the electors from one end of the province to the other to a sense of the necessity of a change at James Bay.

(Rossland Record.)

Rossland is holding her breath for the initial work on the Robson branch of the C.P.R. to this city. Some days ago it was given out that Rossland could celebrate the completion of this road within ninety days. This news was generally believed, but as no contracts have been let yet the people are becoming skeptical, not that the road will not be built, but that it will not be completed in such haste.

(Kaslo Kootenai.)

The premier of New Zealand, like Premier Turner, of British Columbia, is connected with some public company as director, and as a consequence he has had a bad quarter of an hour in the legislature, of which he is the leader. He was sustained by a party vote, although several of his supporters voted with the opposition in condemnation of the course.

(Vernon News.)

We trust that the natural peace which we feel in once more presenting the News to the public, is, at least in a measure, shared by our subscribers. We start afresh with a brand new plant, and are now established in commodious and comfortable quarters, where we will always be glad to receive visitors, who will be most cordially made welcome.

(R. C. Mining Critic.)

It is rather hard on Mr. R. Hunter, M.P., that the story of the Chinaman's requisition asking him to stand for Cariboo at the next election should be taken seriously. The Chinese are non-refers and don't usually sign "round robins" in English. However, the story is a penalty which Mr. Hunter has of necessity to pay for his persistent advocacy of Chinese cheap labor, which would assuredly in any case cost him the loss of most of the white labor vote of Cariboo were he there to stand at the next election.

(New Denver Ledger.)

The Hon. Mr. Turner has spoken through the Colonel. The mantle of dignified contempt is a useful article in high officialdom but it proves a poor armor against facts, however simply stated, which have a public value, and therefore it is that the premier has spoken through his official organ, and severely reprimanded those whom he regards as his traducers.

The Ledger has no desire to say much that could be said in plain condemnation of the course pursued by the prominent politicians of this province, who have allowed their names to be paraded in flaming type as decoys in mining schemes of doubtful probity. The alleged interview in the Colonist is manifestly an unqualified confession of the weakness of a public man unable to see that a representative man should feel that proper degree of restraint which is imposed upon him by a public trust.

While we can in regard to our representative men "nothing extenuate," we shall at all times endeavor to be equally free from setting down aught in malice.

Mr. Turner's career and position as a business man, as well as his known good nature entitles him to our consideration. Moreover, we cannot forget that his political environment in Victoria has not been as lofty and ennobling in its influence as it might have been, but the people of this province have had more than enough ground for suspicion and distrust of their public men; for extravagance, favoritism, abuse of trust and flagrant dishonesty has been the official rule rather than the exception, and therefore it is that we have resolved that the community here had about enough public men being mixed up in questionable enterprises, or what is equally objectionable, pleading to baby act. The reputation of the province is bound up in the character and acts of our public men, and the community suffers by their moral obliquity or indifference, and in the case in question, it is clear that the premier's name, used as it is, will scars away instead of attracting capital to our mining enterprises.

THE GOLDEN CACHE.

A very commendatory cable message is stated to have been sent recently to London, England, concerning this mine by a person or persons interested "in bearing" the stock, and as a result there appeared in the British Columbia Review of that city a very savage onslaught upon the Golden Cache Company and its undertaking. More will be learned very shortly as a result of further crashings of the future possibilities of the property. Meanwhile so far as can be ascertained it would appear that, while there is no reason to doubt the gold-producing capacity of the undertaking, it is being made clear that the profitable and systematic working will call for a very considerable further outlay of capital, the employment of very capable men, and the use of the best modern appliances known to modern free-mining gold mining.

In reference to a recent application to the court made by Dr. Carroll, as trustee of a considerable amount of treasury stock in the Golden Cache Co., it is stated on good authority that a paragraph which appeared in the last issue of the Mining Record conveys a somewhat mistaken idea of Dr. Carroll's position in the matter. The fact is that he applied, as we notice, for a directory order of the court, with a view to act by its decision with perfect impartiality as regards all interested, as of course under the circumstances incumbent upon him. The application was therefore no one-sided request.

Baby Ecema and Scald Head.

Infants and young children are peculiarly liable to this terrible disorder, and if not promptly arrested it will eventually become chronic. Dr. Chase made a special study of ecema and disease of the skin, and we can confidently recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment to cure all forms of Ecema. The first application soothes the irritation and gives the little sufferer rest.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.

Dr. H. H. Chase

COL. RUIZ KILLED

Insurgents Slay a Spanish Envoy While Under Safe Escort.

Butchered by Machete—General Lee Intercedes for Him Without Avail.

Havana, Dec. 18.—The general topic of conversation in cafes, theatres and clubs is the result of the visit of Lieutenant Colonel of Engineers Joaquin Ruiz to the headquarters of the insurgent brigadier Arangueren.

Col. Ruiz, who was very popular here, visited Arangueren for the purpose of inducing him to surrender and accept autonomy, promising him in return money and official preferment. Ruiz, it is said, offered his services to Blanco for the purpose of inducing Arangueren to surrender, as the latter had been formerly employed by Ruiz when he was constructing the Vento waterworks.

After having written to Arangueren, Ruiz left Havana for the insurgent camp on Monday last.

While Ruiz was at the camp, the insurgent leader, Alejandro Rodriguez, learned of his visit and went to Arangueren's headquarters where he ordered Ruiz to be tried by court martial. Ruiz was defended in his trial by Arangueren and Rafael de Cadenas, the former of whom had pledged his word of honor for Ruiz's safety. It was reported that General Alejandro Rodriguez ordered the execution of the prisoner.

The Russian consul, who is president of the Union Club and a personal friend of Ruiz, who is a member of the same club, visited United States consul General Lee and asked him to use his influence to save the life of Ruiz. General Lee called privately on Marshal Blanco and stated to him the object of his visit.

The governor-general allowed General Lee to intercede in a friendly way. Early yesterday Ernest Tosca, an attaché of the American consulate, with young Manuel Chacon, left for Campo Florido, Havana province, carrying three days' provisions, bearing a permit from Marshal Blanco to seek the camp of Arangueren with a letter from Consul General Lee. Ruiz was expected today and General Gonzalez Harrado was assured that he was at liberty. Last night it was asserted that Ruiz would be released upon the condition that the insurgent leader, Candida, Villa Huexa be exchanged for him, but upon the arrival this evening of Tosca, it became generally known that Tosca's visit did not avail to save the life of Blanco's envoy.

Senor Tosca, who had been commissioned by United States Consul General Lee to make inquiries, returned from Campo Florido, three leagues from the insurgent encampment at Tumba Cuatro. He says that he met outposts of Arangueren's force, and the chief of the party confirmed the report that on his arrival Col. Ruiz was met by Arangueren and an escort of twelve men, who received him with warmth. Ruiz urged the party to accept autonomy, and congratulated himself that he would induce them to return with him to Havana. The camp had been prepared for his visit, and, securing Ruiz in his uniform, and knowing the object of his visit, they demanded the execution of the proclamation of Gomez and Rodriguez, which orders the infliction of the death penalty on all persons to induce chiefs of the rebellion to surrender.

In compliance with their demands, a court martial was formed, and the sentence of death was passed upon Ruiz. Senor Tosca adds that Arangueren stood aloof during the trial and allowed the death sentence to be carried out. Col. Ruiz was executed with a machete.

Reports from Sancti Spiritus state that Senor Rafael Madrigal and Cruz, a brother-in-law of Marcos Garcon, an insurgent chief in the last war, and now civil governor of the province of Santa Clara, have left for the insurgent camps to confer with the leaders, to induce them to surrender to the Spanish authorities and to accept autonomy. The insurgents are increasing largely in the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana and Matanzas. A resident of Pinar del Rio asserts that 1,000 pacificos have gone to the insurgent camp.

SPANISH WRATH ARISES.

Indignant Because a Squadron Will Rendezvous in the Gulf.

Madrid, Dec. 18.—The Imperial, in an article on the United States congress, says: "After the insults and calumnies against Spain our excellent friend, almost protector, President McKinley is going to send a squadron to the Gulf of Mexico, a measure never so unnecessary as now, since Cuba has a capital."

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tain general whose policy is so just and humane. Spain has just made great concession to Cuba. This is because the Yankees are seeking to justify the policy of the insurgents who have their hopes on the intervention of their friends.

"The sending of this squadron will revivify their hopes and cause a continuation of the struggle. The intervention of the United States will be a monstrous act of cynicism. Those who kept silent in the presence of the German cruisers in Hayti do not dare to risk the approbation of Europe.

"We know the means which will foil the tricks of the Yankees," continues the Imperial. These means are the great wisdom of Spain, the great loyalty of the island, the great activity of our armaments and the great energy of the government. It is unnecessary to mention the patriotism of Spain."

An official note, issued today, says that the dispatch of an American squadron to the Gulf of Mexico had not made a bad impression here, as the government is aware that in the present season the Gulf of Mexico is the only sea where naval manoeuvres were possible and that these winter manoeuvres have not occurred for three years past, on account of a desire to avoid wounding Spanish susceptibility.

The government, the note says, intends to leave Marshal Blanco the task of forming the first Cuban government. It will hold entirely aloof on local questions, having confidence in the success of the reforms adopted for the island.

A member of the ministry, in the course of an interview today said: "The government has good reasons to believe that the United States will take up no resolutions discreditable to Spain, and that Spain need attach no importance to the speeches and proposals of the jingo congressmen. So long as President McKinley and the government do not depart from the correct attitude towards our rights, observing the laws of neutrality, there is no reason to fear hostile acts or decisions on the part of the congress of the American government. On the contrary the government is aware that in official circles in Washington the news of the pacification of the Philippines was well received, and will, it is thought, have a favorable effect on the situation in Cuba.

"The American government is aware that the military and political situations in Cuba are much improved and therefore cannot change its friendly attitude.

A KLONDIKE CO.'S DIVIDEND.

The directors of the Klondike & Columbia Gold Fields Company have declared a first dividend of 20 per cent. on their stock, as to which \$50,000 represents capital either paid or ranking as fully paid. This dividend with a surplus sufficient to pay—so the directors state—one or two more, results from the flotation of two juvenile companies, of which the K. & C. G. Co., Ltd., is the parent, viz.: the New Golden Twins & the Dawson City Trading Co., Ltd. The dividend is not unlikely, therefore, earned at the expense of the very controlling shareholders of the two latter, at which well informed men of finance in the city look very much askance, not liking at all the manner of their promotion. However, be this as it may, the Klondike & Columbia Gold Fields Co., Ltd., is the first Klondike company to declare a dividend. It is, as may here be noted, the company in which the Hon. Messrs. Turner and Pooley, with Mr. Joseph Boscowitz, of Victoria, are interested as an advisory board in British Columbia.—B. C. Mining Critic.

BARNYARD CERAMICS.

They were talking about extraordinary matters which are unknown to people generally, and a man told this strange story:

"You may think you know a good deal yourself, but every day you can look over our neighbor's back fence and see something to surprise and enlighten you. The other morning I noticed two dry goods boxes full of broken china in the yard of a friend of mine, and I thought that some old maid must have toppled over and created this wholesale smash-up in crockery. The broken china was not carried away, however, and as my wife and children, and even the cook, began to be exercised about the matter, I took occasion to ask him about it.

"That old china," he said, "well perhaps you know, but if you don't, you never could guess in 1,000 years what this is for. I keep hens, and they have to have material to eat which will make eggshells. An acquaintance of mine, also a hen fancier, told me that if I could get a lot of broken china, he had a machine which would grind it to powder so it could be eaten by the chickens, and go to the making of eggshells. My business office is next door to a wholesale china house; and they gave me those boxes of catastrophe china, just for the pleasure of getting rid of it. When I got the thing going I intended to make money out of it. I will separate the broken china; and by feeding Dresden china dust to certain hens I can sell real Dresden china eggs; Sevres, Wedgwood, Limoges, Rockwood, Delft and so on. Hens may not be able to hatch china eggs, but, by George, they can lay china eggs, and this is the truth I'm giving you."—Detroit Free Press.

GERMANY'S COLONIES.

The colonial area of Germany now amounts to 2,000,000 square miles and the Emperor is very anxious to have a large navy to defend these extensive, if not valuable, possessions. The last published foreign office report shows that they do not pay in a pecuniary sense and they do not seem to afford much scope for German individual energy. The colonies are not a white population of 20,000 people, and of these 17,000 are French, British, Italian, Dutch, or of nationality but German, and only 3,000 are voluntary German colonists. Yet the Germans are an emigrating people. Ten of thousands leave Germany each year to settle in America or British colonies.

A Tennessee lady, Mrs. J. W. Towle, of Philadelphia, Tenn., has been using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for her baby, who is subject to croup, and says of it: "I find it just as good as you claim it to be. 'Since I've had your Cough Remedy, baby has been threatened with croup ever so many times, but I would give him a dose of the remedy and it prevented his having it every time.' Hundreds of mothers say the same. Sold by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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AN ENEMY IN LONDON.

In the current number of the British Columbia Review the following extraordinary paragraph appears:

"A correspondent writes, warning those who intend going to Klondike not to book through to Victoria. He points out that the terminus of the G.P.R. is the best point of departure for the goldfields. This only emphasizes our advice. The advantages of this route are that it is cheaper, less inconvenient, and affords better accommodation. At Vancouver a Klondike outfit may be purchased more cheaply than in England, and by purchasing supplies at Vancouver and keeping the invoices, there will be no trouble with the customs. Moreover, the ships plying to Dyea are of a better class than those running from Victoria."

Unfortunately many persons are likely to be misled by the deliberate falsehoods which the foregoing paragraph contains, because during the present interest in British Columbia they will naturally expect that a paper bearing the name of the Province and purporting to give correct information would not wantonly mislead them. The most astonishing portion of the paragraph, however, is the remark: "This only emphasizes our advice." Meaning that the British Columbia Review has deliberately set itself the task of damaging Victoria by printing lying statements and grossly misleading information, and that it intends to continue in its course of deceiving intending settlers. We are glad to say that no such slanders have been circulated about Vancouver for the benefit of Victoria; the reports we have seen in other old country papers couple the names of the two cities, or at least mention them with equal favor. It may not have occurred to the editor of the British Columbia Review that in telling lies so palpable and shameless he was simply injuring the fair name of the whole province, and perhaps doing Vancouver more injury than Victoria. At all events we are sure he has very effectively shaken the confidence of all thoughtful English readers in his journal, and he will find, as all liars do sooner or later, that the consequences of lying to the public are of a very serious nature.

A "MILITARY" EXPEDITION.

It would be interesting to know by what authority J. Enoch Thompson, secretary-pro tem., and George E. Casey, M.P., president, use the royal arms of Great Britain at the head of their advertisement in the Toronto papers announcing a "Military Expedition to the Klondike," and also by what authority they call it a "military" expedition. The incongruity of these and the following bill of fare in the body of the advertisement will be apparent. This expedition will leave Toronto about the 1st of March next, thoroughly equipped with the necessary provisions and appliances for the comfort of the men and success of the enterprise. Everyone cannot go to the Klondike, but they (sic) can buy an interest in this properly organized expedition, and secure the advantages without personal risk. Shares, \$10 each; issued at par. Subscribers for 50 shares have the right to nominate a representative with the expedition. Profits will be equally divided between capital and labor. Just a money-making venture like all the others except for the very unusual proviso that "capital and labor will divide the profits equally," that is a novelty of Utopian flavor, but why "military"? Will the men composing the expedition be soldiers? If so it is a government expedition; if not a "military expedition" could be formed in Canada except under government auspices. If the company be not a government company by what right do they use the royal arms in their advertisement? There is something very strange about the whole affair, and we should like to see the two points we have mentioned explained. Would-be investors should most carefully inquire into the matter before committing themselves.

Many Victorians will remember Captain the Hon. Edmund Lambton, who was here on the Warrapito some years ago. The Prince of Wales and a distinguished party have been enjoying the shooting at Lambton Castle, seat of the Earl of Durham, brother of Captain Lambton, and a good many yards about the family are going the rounds of the press. Here is a good one about one of the Lambtons' ancestors, "Old 'rue Blue," William Lambton. Once, on the morning of new parliament, the doorman seeing Mr. Lambton dressed in plain grey clothes made out of the wool of his own sheep, and wearing thick shoes would not admit him further than the lobby, where he sat quietly until a friend in

fine clothes came up and remonstrated with the janitor for shutting out one of the most honorable and respected members of the House. The doorman, at once changed his tone and hoped "his honor" would give him something as a remembrance. Up started Mr. Lambton, more vexed at the man's servility than at his former rudeness and gave him a hearty smack on the side of his head with the remark, "There's a God's penny for thee; I think thou'lt not audit Will Lambton again."

The absurd restrictions imposed by the Dingley tariff law upon passengers arriving from Europe at the port of New York, have been amended, to the great relief of travellers. The delays and petty annoyances endured by passengers who had to have every article of their baggage examined were altogether insupportable, and the cry that went up from New York and other American ports on the Atlantic seaboard has had the effect of loosening the red tape noose that was strangling passenger traffic. The \$100 personal effects clause is now being blundered, and a five dollar gold piece dexterously inserted into the fist of a customs officer has the same magical effect, as of yore in striking him blind and dumb while the donor's satrapas are going through.

Professor Goldwin Smith writing in the Montreal Herald emits this "face" to the gentlemen who want to put a "face" high tariff upon round Canada: "Our Protectionists are taking comfort from the report that the annual meeting of the Cobden Club was attended only by twelve members. This, they think, proves that free trade is dying. It is really proves the very reverse. Free trade is so securely established that the Free Traders do not give themselves the trouble to attend a meeting for its defence. If they had the slightest reason for alarm there would soon be a full attendance at the Cobden Club. As things are, there is no serious business to be done."

An American paper says the United States is now regarded as the leading dairy country of the world. In 1889 the annual value of American dairy products was estimated to exceed \$400,000,000, and the value of the milk cows was about \$370,000,000. The number of cows is about 17,000,000, or one for every four inhabitants. The exports of dairy produce have grown since 1880 to wonderful proportions, and now take important rank in the list. Canada bases her claim to attention upon quality rather than quantity, and the fact that Canadian cheese, butter and other dairy products command higher prices in the world's markets proves that Canada's claim is well founded.

Count Roscoe Diarmid of Austria has been making a study of the prisons of the world. He has worked the treadmill in England, been in the chain-gang in Peru, the penal colony in Tasmania, has broken rock at Norfolk Island and been in jail in South Africa. He says the penitentiaries of America are the cleanest prisons in the world and the prison treatment the most humane. Diarmid was astonished to find the American prisoner treated to roast turkey and the like on Thanksgiving, Christmas and other festivals.

Our own Lord Strathcona, we forget his own name, but the other will identify him at any inquiry, has been elected chief of the Granctown-on-Spy Salty Club. This interesting town is the seat of many important manufactures such as whiskey, strapshooters, reels, Abernethy biscuits and Gaelic songs. Strathcona, as he is called by the clansmen, who don't notice Samson's titles such as lord, earl and the like, was born at Levenhall, near Grantown.

Another prosperous constituency heard from. Guderich is now making arrangements for the building of a grain elevator with a million bushels capacity. By next spring we shall have this kind of accommodation at three Ontario lake ports, Owen Sound for the C. P. R., Parry Sound for the O. & P., and Guderich for the G. T. R.

The Vernon News has recovered from the effects of the recent serious fire in its premises, and comes out as fresh and lively as ever. The News has shown commendable energy in getting so quickly upon its feet after so discouraging a blow, and the Times joins in the general congratulations.

A DEVICE TO RECORD SPEED.

Apparatus Used in Some Recent German Railway Experiments.

An ingenious form of speed-recording apparatus, recently devised for use in some German railway experiments, while simple in design, proved exceedingly effective and showed, moreover, not only the speed at any particular moment, but the time in which stops were made. Speed around curves up grades, etc., says the Philadelphia Record. Electrical connections were made on the shaft of the car in such a manner that a dash and a space were marked off at each revolution on a paper strip of ribbon corresponding to one minute of time and counting the number of dashes contained therein the number of revolutions is given at once, and from the distance of the wheels the speed can readily be computed. In the experiments referred to the paper ribbon was ruled so that one second of time was represented by one millimeter of space, and by a subsequent plotting of curves a graphical record of speed under various conditions was obtained.

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PURCHASE OF LAND ON FREDERICK ARM.

To the Editor: In your issue of Dec. 15th you published a communication purporting to have emanated in a newspaper called the B. C. Mining Critic, insinuating improper conduct on the part of the chief commissioner of lands and works, in relation to the piece of land on Frederick Arm. There is no justification for the insinuation, there being no fact or circumstance in the case that could have been honestly construed to justify such a mistake. The facts are as follows:

Early in January, 1897, I purchased certain mineral properties at a very considerable sum, paying cash for the same, the parties coming to Vancouver, where the settlement took place. While doing the prospecting and sampling work on these properties, I discovered that Estro Basin, which was supposed to be the outlet for the ore therefrom, froze over in winter, rendering it useless for the shipment of the ore, and also revealing the necessity for an outlet on salt water direct. On March the 5th of this year I wrote the hon. chief commissioner of land and works a letter, of which the following is a copy:

March 5th, 1897.
The Honorable G. F. B. Martin, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works:
Sir, I have purchased and paid in cash for two mining properties situated about 2 1/2 miles from Frederick Arm. There is a very large lode on the property yielding smelting copper ore. I am ready to begin the development work. Provision must be made, in laying out the works, for handling and shipping an ultimate output of 1,000 tons per day, which cannot be done unless ample space is provided on deep salt water on Frederick Arm for wharves, ore pockets, depot, stores, etc., for shipping that tonnage. I wish to purchase 100 acres of third class land for that purpose, as colored pink on the annexed plan. I observe that for six miles square the land is marked as reserved. If that reservation be so maintained as to prevent the sale to me of the needed space, it will prevent me from working the property. Cannot this 100 acres be exempted from this reservation? I very much desire this sale to go through without delay, so that I may make the necessary arrangements and plans before I go to London on the business. Yours truly,
JOHN COBELDICK.

To that letter I received a reply, of which the following is a copy:

"1315-97.
"Victoria, B. C., March 5th, 1897.
"Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of even date asking if you can purchase 100 acres of land at the head of Frederick Arm. In reply I beg to say that the parcel of land you desire is, as I gather from your letter you are aware, a portion of a government reserve which is not open for sale or settlement, consequently I regret that your application cannot be entertained. I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,
"G. F. B. MARTIN,
"Chief Comm. Lands and Works."

That began and ended all my correspondence with the honorable chief commissioner of lands and works upon the business, and from that time he had no distinctive voice or directing power in the matter, as the following correspondence will show.

Soon after this time parliament assembled, and the fact appeared to have become generally known that opposition existed in the lands and works department to the placing at my company's services the land deemed by them to be necessary for the development and working of their property. I was advised by various persons to apply to the lands and works department. This was done in a letter of which the following is a copy:

Driedal Hotel, Victoria, B. C.,
April 2nd, 1897.
The Honorable Minister of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C.:
Dear Sir, I have the honor to apply under section 37 of the Consolidated Land Act, chapter 96 (1888), for one quarter section of land situated on the colored line at the northwest head of Frederick Arm, more particularly shown on the annexed plan, and colored pink thereon. This land is required for use in erecting ore bins, shipping wharves, concentrating plant and other useful structures and works, for operating the mines and marketing the output therefrom.

In so far as it applies to this particular area of one-quarter section, I respectfully ask that the government reserve be cancelled on the following grounds, viz:

Mineral locations, and some of apparent great value, have been made at a distance inland from this point. I have purchased for cash, and completed the purchase, certain of these locations. I have also expended a large sum of money upon and for testing the property, which, together with the purchase money, amount to a very considerable sum. It is possible to work these properties in an advantageous manner, the produce without adequate shipping accommodations, and this is the best and most suitable spot for that purpose. It will be increasingly difficult to attract capital to open, equip and work these mines on a comprehensive scale if water-side ground of small extent only be held with the minerals, because the formation and ore body being large the daily output from the mines must be great also, in order to work with efficient economy. I have the honor, therefore, to submit for the consideration of the Hon. Governor-in-Council the desirability of cancelling the reserve upon this particular quarter section; in order to permit the development of these purchased mines to proceed, thereby increasing the evidence of the value and extent of the mineral resources of the country and augmenting the value of the adjacent public lands.

I should be obliged if you would bring this matter before his honor the Lieutenant-governor-in-Council at the earliest possible date. Any further evidence as to the necessity for cancelling the reserve I should be happy to produce if required. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,
JOHN COBELDICK.

At the time that the letter of April 2nd was written a very strong feeling had arisen on both sides of the house



and also among commercial and business men in Victoria that a wrong was being done by the lands and works department in not liberating this reserved land for the purposes then well known to a great number of persons. Amongst other persons who interested themselves in the matter were persons prominently associated with the British Pacific Railway Company's charter. This brought about a meeting between the business of that company and myself to go how my plans could be made to work without interference with the original survey plans for that railway. This being provided for, the parties connected with that enterprise expressed their concurrence in the sale to me, and accordingly in due course a notice appeared in the British Columbia Gazette, dated the 7th day of April, 1897, upon the matter.

In conclusion let me say that the business was not done in a hole or corner; that there was nothing improper; nothing was done to the favor or friendship of any number of the executive council; all that was done was done upon the concurrent opinion expressed by a great number of persons that it was necessary, for the development of these mineral properties, to comply with my request. When the chief commissioner of lands and works did in the matter was, in my opinion, done under the pressure of such public sentiment as he was not able to safely ignore.

The other observations relating to "residence at Kamloops," "favoritism," and matters of that sort, I do not understand, or will take the trouble to refer to. I am a stranger in the province, representing people whose intention is to establish industries and for the investment of British capital. What I do do with a view to that end only, and must be allowed to know what territorial adjacencies are needful to give said industries a fair chance of success, and not this particular property alone, for it is intended that the dock and wharves proposed to be erected on the ground in question shall accommodate the whole of the output of ore from that district. This very promising property cannot be operated without complete dock frontage to salt water. If this land could not have been had then that mineral property could not be developed. Yours truly,

JOHN COBELDICK,
Victoria, B. C., Dec. 28th, 1897.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS DIRECTORS.

The leading English journals condemn the Premier and President of the Executive Council of British Columbia, for allowing their names to appear as directors of a joint stock company which has been organized to operate in the Klondike district. The London Times, referring to the prospectus of the Dawson City & Dominion Trading Company, remarks: "We regret to observe the names of the Prime Minister and the President of the Executive Council of British Columbia in the company's advisory board. Men in their position are establishing a bad precedent when they allow their names to be connected with undertakings of this class, however sound they may be." The London Money Market Review says: "The association of Ministers in office with joint stock companies is not immaterial, but open to grave censure." The Statist considers that the gentlemen in question have "betrayed" their office. It is to be regretted that the company sought to be assisted by the Premier of British Columbia joining the directorate with such sharp criticism in the London papers that it has discredited other enterprises from developing the Klondike gold fields. Insurance and Finance Chronicle.

SPOILED THE DINNER FOR HIM.

How One Came to be Beaten for Office By His Opponent's Wife.

"Bluest Thanksgiving I ever spent" mused the fine old gentleman who has at unquenchable antipathy to practical politics. "It stands out in my memory like an obelisk on a plain, and it was not so very long ago, either."

"I had been induced that fall to run for an important public office. It was done against my better judgment and under great pressure, but when a man enters such a fight he wants to win. I was in a close district and wanted to put up the very best fight that the circumstances would permit. I advertised at once for an extra stenographer and from the many who responded selected a beautiful, bright and dashing young woman, who justified my immediate faith in her ability. She did all my private correspondence, knew as much about the inside of the campaign as I did, worked day and night with a willingness that was surprising and even took from one of my shrewdest advisers a list of voters in the strongest section with which I had to contend, with full instructions as to how the most influential persons among them could be won to my cause. It was great work, and yet I fell several hundred short of the normal party vote."

"My successful opponent lived in a neighboring town, and graciously invited me to be his guest on the following Thanksgiving. It would have looked surly to refuse, and so I went. It was really an admirable social function, but the few hours I put in there were torture. The host met with a hearty hand-clasp. Turning he said, 'My wife.' Repellent in smile and jewels, I saw my stenographer. 'Love and war,' she murmured. 'He thinks I was visiting my old home in New England.' I held my peace, but that faded turkey tasted like cork."

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A Portland, Me., man has sworn off against talking to himself. He was beating himself roundly the other day while walking on the street, and applied to himself an uncomplimentary name in a half audible tone just as he came abreast of another man. This person thought himself addressed, and not relishing the title, drew off and gave the talkative chap a blow in the face that blackened his eye.

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The Mayoralty.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the request of a number of citizens I have the honor to announce that I shall be a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor at the election to be held next day, and respectfully solicit your votes and support.

CHAS. E. REDFEARN.

The Mayoralty.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen—Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers to offer myself as a candidate for Mayor at the ensuing municipal election, I have much pleasure in complying with their request, and I now most respectfully solicit the votes and influence of the electors of the municipality to secure my election.

Previous to the date of election I will by public notice call you together to place before you my views on municipal matters.

JOSEPH WINTER GARRY.

PIANO TUNER.

GIDEON HICKS,

who has changed his headquarters from Vancouver to Victoria, will attend promptly to orders left at T. N. Gibson & Co's address, care B. C. P. Office, No. 6, Springfield Avenue, Victoria West.

MONEY LOANED

ON APPROVED JOINT NOTES.

G. D. SCOTT,

43 First Street.

Vancouver Island Building Society.

The 100th drawing for an appropriation in the above society will be held at St. William Wallace Society's hall, Broad St., on Monday, the 26th December, 1897, at 4 p.m. See that your shares are put in arrears. By order,
R. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

DURING THE XMAS WEEK

WE WILL GIVE

Special Inducements

TO

CASH PURCHASERS.

Our stock is complete in every detail, and our prices are the lowest. Attention!—Mendelins and Guitars.

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THE A.O.U.W. HALL

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22nd.

Entertainment and Grand Free Ball

BENEFIT PASTIME ATHLETIC CLUB.

The club has secured Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Hoad to provide the entertainment, which will consist of skittles and character impersonations. Mr. A. Strickland and Mr. W. Anderson, of the Victoria Musical Society, will be in attendance. Admission 50c. Seats reserved at Lomax's Music Store without extra charge.

LOCAL NEWS.

Cleanings of City and Prov. cial News in a Condensed Form.

For Xmas presents—Children's five sets at the Lansdowne House, 80 Yates street. John Partridge.

Glassware just received and for sale cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co.'s 80 Douglas street.

Jackets, dress goods and hats at greatly reduced prices. The Sterling, 88 Yates street. Open every evening until Christmas.

Don't fail to see Professor Gleason's horse taming exhibition on Tuesday night at the City Market Hall. Seven vicious horses to be dealt with.

J. Horner & Co. are giving away a present with every purchase of one dollar and over for this week. Fans, purses, boys' and men's ties, boys' handkerchiefs, etc. Argyle House.

The Willing Workers of Christ Church Cathedral will present "The Fish in the Wood," a burlesque, by H. J. Brown, in A.O.U.W. Hall on Thursday evening. They have been rehearsing the burlesque for some time past.

The Young Ladies' Institute have made arrangements that Santa Claus shall visit the little orphans of St. Ann's Convent, Cowichan. During this week they will ship a box of dolls and other good things for the little ones.

The fire department was called out this morning for what a passerby took to be a fire in the Hotel Victoria. The smoke, which caused the alarm, came from the flues, which workmen were engaged in cleaning out.

A large audience attended the weekly concert given at the Temperance Hall on Saturday evening. There will be no concert on Saturday next, it being Christmas day. The usual reception and free concert will, however, be held at the hall on New Year's day.

The C.P.R. Company Telegraph has opened an office in Esquimalt. The office is located in Goodwin's store, along with the post office. The local rate between Victoria and Esquimalt has been fixed at twenty words for 25 cents and one cent for each additional word.

At the military social dance at the drill hall Wednesday evening next, the ball committee hope to see as many non-commissioned officers and men as possible. The wearing of uniforms is compulsory on this occasion, but men attending in plain clothes will be treated as civilians.

The Kamloops Copper Mining Company has just been registered. The company is capitalized at \$500,000, has for its president Mr. G. A. Kirk, of Victoria, and for secretary-treasurer Mr. A. T. Monteith. The head office is situated in this city. To acquire the Golden Star mineral claim at Kamloops and to do a general mining business are the advertised objects of the company.

For Xmas presents—Feather boas, handkerchiefs, kid gloves, umbrellas, at the Lansdowne House, 80 Yates street. John Partridge.

Ivy Lodge, Daughters of Roth, C.O.O.F., was instituted on Saturday evening by I.P.G.M. Bro. James Tagg, assisted by officers of Daughters and Fernwood Lodges. The following officers were elected and installed into office: Lecture master, Bro. Tagg; N.G., Sister E. M. Carter; V.G., Sister Helen Outler; secretary, Sister A. M. Carter; treasurer, Sister N. Sowers; surgeon, Dr. Carter; chaplain, Sister C. A. Wilson; warden, Sister Marie Mackenzie; conductor, Sister E. M. Carter; inside guard, Sister C. Hawk; outer guard, Bro. Cooper; trustees, Bro. James, Patterson and Dr. Carter; auditors, Bro. Tagg, Coates and Cornack. The lodge has a charter list of twenty-eight members. The next meeting of the lodge will be held on January 4th.

Mayor Redfern will at the meeting of the city council to be held this evening recommend a resolution that the polling places be: For mayor and school trustees, at the police court room; for aldermen—North Ward, room 11, Public Market; Central Ward, 68 Douglas street (Vernon Block); and South Ward, 27 Government street. The mayor recommends, too, that Mr. Northcott be appointed returning officer, and that the deputies be: Frank G. Richards, for mayor; S. W. Edwards, for North Ward; Thos. J. Dunbar, for Centre Ward; and David Spragg, for South Ward.

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The following donations are acknowledged by the honorary secretary of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home, per Mr. Charles Kent, of the third instalment of admiral's house tax refund, as under: L. H. Solly, 75c; H. W. Sheppard, \$1; Master C. Sheppard, \$1; Mrs. H. W. Sheppard, \$1; J. H. Siddell, 96c; C. H. Hacock, 88c; P. Evans, Vancouver, \$2.75; also from the following pupils of Victoria West industrial school, the Principal Tait, Enoch Henderson, 10c; Clara Horne, 30c; Phyllis Ethel Wilson, 75c; Fred Johnson, 25c; Lizzie Rowe, 25c; Lily Russell, \$1; George Robb, \$1; Milla Richards, 25c; Ivy Strait, 10c; Lovey Harrison, 10c; the balance of \$100.00 fund, \$3.40; and John Lind, 25c.

For Xmas presents—Dress patterns, in 100, 200, 300, at the Lansdowne House, 80 Yates street. John Partridge.

—This week we offer at cost ladies' jackets, waterproofs and wrappers. John Partridge, Lansdowne House, 80 Yates street.

—As good as the name—the "Nugget" cigar. J. C. Meiss & Co.

Hotel Victoria, Victoria, strictly first-class. Rates \$2 upwards.

Christmas books, albums, etc., at wholesale prices. Johnston Kirk block.

—CODFISH—Genuine Newfoundland, at R. H. Jamieson's, 33 Fort street, Red Front Store.

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—The Sterling is now showing a full line of Christmas novelties at very reasonable prices. Open every evening until Christmas, 88 Yates street.

—Pabst Bohemian, from Milwaukee, the finest beer the world ever produced, on draught at 5 cents per glass, at the Bank Exchange, the coolest, cleanest, cheapest restaurant in the city. Never closes.

—A splendid stock of sporting goods just received direct from the best factories in England and the United States, comprising shot guns, rifles, shooting coats, etc., at Henry Short & Son's, Gunmakers, 72 Douglas street.

—An attempt was made on Saturday evening to pass a check for \$30, purporting to be signed by A. W. More, made payable to "Allen G. Raitt" and Messrs. W. & J. Wilson. A young man entered Messrs. Wilson's store, made purchases amounting to \$4.50 and tendered the forged check in payment. While Mr. Wilson was examining the check the young man left the store.

—Among the many handsome show windows now attracting attention, none has excited such warm expressions of admiration as those in the establishment of Samuel Sea, Jr., the Douglas street gent's furnisher. Here is displayed a most tempting array of the newest things in neckwear, hats, gloves, scarfs, etc., etc. Searchers for a suitable Christmas present for a gentleman friend cannot well pass Mr. Sea's store.

—The promenade concert given at the Drill Hall on Saturday evening was the best attended concert of the season. The music of the band was therefore much appreciated; but, then, it was not the music which attracted the eager portion of the crowd. The attraction was the aquatic exhibition of Captain Beach, who sat, drank, smoked and feigned sleep under water with the greatest ease. In feigning sleep he remained at the bottom of the tank for 15 minutes. The captain will repeat his entertainment at the next concert, which takes place on Monday, December 27th, there being no concert on Saturday next, it being Xmas day.

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—The funeral of the late Ald. James Bilton Harrison took place yesterday afternoon from the Masonic Temple on Douglas street. The funeral cortege was a lengthy one, the friends of the deceased elderman attending in large numbers and Veteran Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of which he was a member, in a body. While the sorrowful procession was proceeding along Douglas street to St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, where the funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. Leslie Clay, the fire bells tolled a sad requiem. At the cemetery the services were held by the grave-digger by Victoria Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Mr. A. L. Belyut, acting as chaplain. The mayor and aldermen acted as pall bearers.

—A fight to a finish between Professor Gleason, the horse king, and the man-killing horse, "The Canada Thunderbolt," will take place at the City Market Hall on Tuesday night. Don't fail to see it.

—J. W. Laing, M.A., F.R.G.S., principal of the Collegiate school, will no longer go his way alone for to him solitude has lost its charms. This afternoon he took unto himself a wife in the person of Miss Ethel May Reed, third daughter of the late John Breckenridge Reed, barrister-at-law, of Toronto. The wedding which took place at Christ Church Cathedral, was well attended. Right Rev. Bishop Perin performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Canon Beavanhands. The bride and groom will leave for San Francisco this evening on the direct steamer to spend their honeymoon in a tour of the cities of Lower California, where lectures will be delivered by Mr. Laing.

—Ah Sue, an old offender in the smock thief line, was caught "red-handed" yesterday morning making off with eleven of Mr. Thomas Little's plumpest chickens. Getting up shortly after six yesterday morning, Mr. Little, who resides on Edmonstone road, saw Sue quietly marching along with a pole laden with chickens. He gave chase and John dropped the pole, but even without his burden he was not fleet enough for Mr. Little, and he was caught, handed over to the police and this morning sentenced to six months. Padlocks on chicken houses were no hindrance to Ah Sue. He had a long pole to which was attached a sort of snap made of wire, with which he caught the chickens by the legs or head and pulled them through the chicken hole.

—Yesterday being the anniversary of the Sunday school of the Metropolitan Methodist church, the services at that church, both morning and evening were for the children. The pupils of the Sunday school attended on names and were seated on a raised platform at the front of the church. At the morning service Rev. J. C. Spencer, the pastor, preached of "The Little Girl of the Bible," and in the evening he gave benediction. No service was held in the afternoon, the Sunday school not being convened on account of the funeral of the late Mr. Jewell, the late secretary. The teachers and officers of the Sunday school as well as a large gathering of the pupils attended the funeral, in a body. Tomorrow evening the annual tea meeting will be held, and after the good things have disappeared a concert will be given, for which a first class programme has been arranged.

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Toilet Cases,
Manicure Cases,
Mirrors,
Ebony Hair Brushes,

Roger & Gallet's Perfumes

In all orders.

American Perfumes

In Cut Glass Bottles.

SEE OUR WINDOW.

JOHN COCHRANE,
CHEMIST,

Northwest Corner of Yates and Douglas Streets

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—The funeral of the late Charles Harris took place Saturday afternoon from his late residence, Milner street, and later from the St. Barnabas church, where Rev. Mr. Hamilton officiated, as also at the cemetery. The following acted as pall bearers: Messrs. C. R. King, Alex. Mackenzie, F. R. Raitt and Mr. Wilson.

—John H. Scafe, of Highland district, died yesterday at the Jubilee Hospital after a short illness. Deceased was 50 years of age and leaves a family of sons and daughters to mourn his loss. His remains were removed to Hanna's parlour to await interment, of which due notice will be given.

—The funeral of the late Henry Jewell, which took place yesterday afternoon, was very largely attended, the members of the local lodges A.O.U.W., of which deceased was a member, attending in a body. Rev. Mr. Spencer conducted the funeral services at the Metropolitan Methodist church, referred to the life of the deceased and his great interest in the work of the church. The regular afternoon session of the Sunday school, in which Mr. Jewell also took a deep interest, did not meet yesterday on account of the funeral. The pall bearers were: Messrs. D. Spencer, J. Bullen, J. Walsh, W. J. Pendray, F. J. Hall and T. G. Raynor.

COMPLIMENTARY CONCERT.

Programme for the Affair in A.O.U.W. Hall This Evening.

In A.O.U.W. Hall this evening the friends of Mr. J. G. Brown, the popular vocalist, will tender that gentleman a complimentary concert. No one in Victoria better deserves it. He has always generously devoted his talents to assist any worthy object and has provided many evening's entertainment for the public at great inconvenience to himself, but always cheerfully. There should not be an empty chair in A.O.U.W. Hall to-night. The programme follows:

Opening Address by Lieutenant-Governor Melville.
Tenor Solo—"Don't be Cross"—O. Zeller.
Mr. J. Pilling.
Reading—"Vieling"—Photographed.
Reading—"The Star of Bethlehem"—J. Kaye.
Mr. William Allan.
Violin Solo—"The Star of Bethlehem"—Wienlawski.
Mr. Nash.
Maritone Solo—"The Star of Bethlehem"—L. Kuechel.
Mr. J. G. Brown.
Reading—"The Star of Bethlehem"—Mr. Wm. McNeill.
Soprano Solo—"The Dream Angel"—Ed. St. Quentin.
Violin Obligato by Mr. E. Powell.
Baritone Solo—"The Goodwin School"—Adams.
Mr. Gideon Hicks.
Instrumental—"Serenade"—Panco.
Soprano Solo—"Flight of Ages"—Beven.
Violin Solo—"Highland Wreath"—Carl Volt.
Baritone Solo—"Her Majesty"—A. Adams.
Mr. H. Kent.
Reading—"The Star of Bethlehem"—S. Wilson.
Miss Lillian Armon.
Contralto Solo—"Beauty's Eyes"—Tosti.
Mrs. Rickaby.
Violin obligato by Dr. Nash.
Piano Solo—"The Star of Bethlehem"—Rachmaninoff.
(a) "Grand Prelude, C minor"—Rachmaninoff.
(b) "Serenade de Chopin"—Rachmaninoff.
Mr. G. J. Burnett.
Tenor and Baritone Duets—"The Fisherman"—The Calrossi.
Messrs. P. C. L. Harris and J. G. Brown.
Male Chorus—"Oh, Borrow Not"—Trubn.
"Soldiers' Chorus"—Gonod.
Under direction of Mr. Greg.

PERSONAL.

S. Perry Mills has left for Roseland on legal business.

Mrs. R. Kenny is down from Union, a guest of Mrs. D. McLachlan, 18 St. Louis street.

AN ANCIENT TOLL ABOLISHED.

Windsor bridge across the Thames has just been free of a century toll. In 1801, toll through the grove of the corporation. This had an undoubted right to collect tolls from prescription as they had been taken since the reign of Henry VI. It asked, perhaps, in 1700 and again in 1800, for power to charge additional tolls, and obtained it for a limited number of years. The privilege expired about ten years ago, but the corporation continued to collect the money till a Hibernian Briton refused to pay, bringing the matter to the attention of the courts.

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Hungarian, Premier, ★★★★★

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R. P. RITHET & CO., Victoria, Agents.

Collars for Your Husband,

Men never have too many collars. It takes a wonderful lot to go round. Then the laundry is constantly wearing them out or losing them. What would be more practical as a Christmas gift to your husband than a box (one dozen) of our 4-ply all-linen collars in any shape or size you wish for

\$1.75 per Doz.

Cameron,

The Cash Clothier,
55 Johnson Street

CAN GLEASON DO IT?

Will Try to Master Two Very Vicious Horses.

One of the greatest and most marvellous exhibitions of horse taming ever given in Victoria will take place at the Market Hall on Tuesday night, December 21st, at 8:30 o'clock, when Professor O. R. Gleason, the horse king, will battle with the celebrated vicious horse from Westminster, "The Canada Thunderbolt." It is a well known fact that this is the most vicious horse in British Columbia. This horse will arrive on the boat from Westminster on Tuesday morning, and on Tuesday night Gleason will have the battle of his life.

A number of other vicious brutes will arrive on the same boat, and if Gleason is successful in subduing "Thunderbolt" the other horses will follow.

Prof. Gleason arrived on last night's boat from Vancouver. He is looking well and says that his great exhibition to be given here on Tuesday night will be the greatest exhibition of his life, and he expects to be successful in subduing the man-killer in about one hour. Then, he says, he will handle all of the other horses, making seven head in all. Owing to the great expense in giving this one great exhibition the prices of admission will be to all parts of the house fifty cents. Stoves will be put in the hall and it will be nicely heated.

The following telegram is self-explanatory:

New Westminster, Dec. 20.
Prof. O. R. Gleason, Victoria:—Shall ship "The Canada Thunderbolt," Wash mare and four other vicious horses on the steamer Louise for Victoria this morning. Have your men meet me and prepare yourself for a hard fight with the horses "Thunderbolt" and "Wash," as they are fighters.

JAMES RICHARDSON.

DANGEROUS POISON IN PLASTERS.

Belladonna and Aconite Plasters would not be used at all if their dangerous qualities were more generally known. These drugs may be absorbed by the system and cause serious trouble. "Quickcure" has been recommended as being entirely free from anything which could possibly injure even a child and no plaster removes pain so quickly. The 50c. and \$1 size pots of "Quickcure" hold three and nine times the quantity of trial size; only a little is required.

MARRIED.

BAIRD-READ—On the 20th inst., at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, B.C., by the Lord Bishop of Columbia, assisted by the Rev. Canon Beavanhands, John William Baird, M. A., Christ Church Oxford, to Ethel May, third daughter of the late John Breckenridge Reed, barrister-at-law, of Toronto.

Tell Your Friends

That we have just opened the finest assortment of Holiday Goods we have ever handled—Silk Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Gloves, Choice Neckwear and Full Lines of Gent's Furnishings. Just the thing for Xmas Gifts.

Samuel Sea, Jr.

Leading Gents' Furnisher,
82 Douglas Street,
Opposite the Block.

The Proprietor Having Decided to go to the

Klondike

In January, the whole of the large and well selected stock of

HATS and GENTS' FURNISHINGS

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Those dainty necessities for my lady's bureau or dressing table, just the things for HOLIDAY PRESENTS, at prices that make the purchaser enquire if they are really Sterling Silver. They are made from the finest of Sterling Silver, after the latest patterns.

C. E. REDFERN,

43 Government St.

That Boy of Yours

...To Say Nothing of Papa's GIRL

Wants, above all else, something interesting and amusing at this joyous Xmas season. Have Santa Claus make a selection from our stock of

Mechanical Toys.

We have got the newest, best and most complete stock of Toys in the city. No old stock—everything bright and new. Prices lower than the lowest. Give us a call.

...DON'T FORGET THE ADDRESS...

A. BARKER, 88 1-2 Douglas Street.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

APPRECIATED BY FATHER OR MOTHER.
A PAIR OF
COLD SPECTACLES

Prices very low for good goods. Glasses will be exchanged to suit free of charge after the holidays.

OPERA GLASSES, FIELD GLASSES, TELESCOPES.

The largest stock in British Columbia at the lowest prices.

F. W. NOLTE & CO., OPTICIANS,
37 FORT STREET.

CLEARING SALE NOW TILL XMAS.

A LARGE STOCK TO BARGAINS FOR CASH

Waltham Watches, Nickel Cases	\$6.00
Elgin Watches, Nickel Cases	6.00
Duchar Watches, Nickel Cases	6.00
Waterbury Watches, Nickel Cases, (only short wind kept)	2.00
WARRANTED FIVE YEARS.	
Waltham Watches, in Gold Filled Cases	\$7.00
Elgin Watches, in Gold Filled Cases	7.00
Duchar Watches, in Gold Filled Cases	7.00
WARRANTED FIVE YEARS.	
Solid Gold Ladies' Waltham Watches, closed cases, from	21.00
Solid Gold Elgin	21.00
Gold-Filled, warranted 30 years	15.00
Gold-Filled, warranted 15 years	10.00

Plated Goods, Forks, Knives, Spoons, Buckles, Solid Gold and Silver Pins and Brooches sold at 50 per cent. below usual prices.

S. A. Stoddart

88 Yates Street.

Yokohama Bazaar

Japanese Fancy Goods at Special Low Prices.

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OUR BIG HOLIDAY SALE OF SHOES

COMMENCES TO-DAY.

Cash only. No discount on Slater's Goods.

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Xmas Gifts

Finest Variety of Pocket and Sporting Knives in the Province.

76 GOVERNMENT STREET. FOX'S

ON DALTON TRAIL

Mr. Frank Writes of Experiences on His Trip to the Land of Gold.

In Spite of Toil and Hardships the Life is a Healthy One—Snow in August.

Mr. John Frank, of this city, is giving a diary of his trip to Dawson via the Dalton trail to Mr. Williamson, of Toronto. His last letter is dated Sept. 12 and is as follows:

"Since I wrote you a week ago we have made some 85 miles. The country has been varied, sometimes well wooded, and at other times bare ground. The scenery has been beautiful in places. Yesterday we went along the top of high bluffs overlooking a deep valley, with fine mountains in the background. I rolled stones down the deep, smooth declivity, and they accumulated tremendous momentum ere reaching the bottom. It reminded me of rolling stones down the Wauchoke (Dumfriesshire) hills when I was up there with my father many years ago. To-day we passed another Pouchie lying in the bottom of the valley. The two lakes must stretch from eight to ten miles. The scene at the northern end is beautiful. The land terraced in benches, one rising above another as if done by art engineering skill. It seems hardly to think that nobody but a few Indians live here. The weather continues fine, with occasional slight showers.

August 25-1 o'clock writing this yesterday from the top of the cliffs overlooking the Pouchie valley, but rain coming on, I had to stop. We had hoped to find Indians here with whom we could trade one of our stoves, which had become lame, but they were all off hunting. We did come probably eight or ten miles to-day, and I am now writing from a height from which can be clearly seen a point fifteen or twenty miles away, which we passed yesterday. The whole scene is very fine. Away to the east in the direction of home are the highest mountain peaks. All the valley is densely covered with spruce. Enough of gum could be gathered here to keep the whole world chewing for a long while. To the north is a high hill, bare, like many of the Scotch ones. I intend to climb it and get a prospect of the last stages of our land journey. Last evening we had some stew of wild ducks and onions, the last we are likely to have for some months. The black flies and mosquitoes are biting viciously as I write.

A Cold March.

We had a rather trying experience after the foregoing. About 3 o'clock, just as we were getting over the mountain top, the rain, which had threatened for two days, began. It was cold rain and no mistake, and as our oilskins were all packed up in the cargo we just had to face it as best we could. Character, the boss of the pack train, was in his shirt sleeves. The friendly spruce had been left behind, and the prospects were for a cold, wet night in the wind-swept mountain top, but after going four or five miles we caught up to the cattle train, and found a sheltered spot by the lake side, where some spruce had managed to grow. Soon we had a blazing big fire, and soon the inner man was satisfied from our bill of fare from pork and beans, rice and stewed apples and baked bread, and they had a fairly comfortable night under our tented roof. Snow fell on the hilltops last night and again this morning. What think ye of that? Snow on the 20th of August! Fairly good grass for the cattle and horses. We are now about 90 or 100 miles from the fort (Selkirk).

August 26—Got into camp early and the boys started fishing in a river near by, catching a lot of whitefish. The morning being dismal and rainy, we concluded to take a day's rest, so that the horses could rest their sore backs. Our lame steer also improves, with the plenty of grass and no forced driving. We had a grand day's fishing, and I was the lucky one, catching the only two mountain trout with a fly of my own making. One was 20 inches long, weighing three pounds; the other 18, and they were beauties. The other fish are a scaly whitefish, like a trout in shape; the flesh is white. We caught about 45 in all, the average weight being about one-half pound; so we had lots of fish and a pleasant change of diet. Our Indian guide left us here, so we will have to make our eight or ten days' trip without his guidance.

A Record of Travel.

Saturday, August 28—Started up the hill from our resting place, and made a long march, going up two hills that seemed endless, camping at night among some willows. August 29—Started as usual, but soon our lame steer gave out and we had to leave him; camped five miles on. Monday—Concluded to go back and butcher the steer and pack the meat. Had a trying trip of 25 miles to-day over bushes and moss, so that I scarcely cared whether "school kept or not." August 31—After a good night's rest felt all right, but only made six miles to-day, deciding to camp on a nice grassy place near a most lovely lake. Winter at the top, but summer in the valley. Place for the foot in the mountain, while we could pick berries all along the route. Wednesday, September 1—Came along a dry trail about fifteen miles and camped at the head of a long prairie with plenty of grass but poor water. Prospected a creek and found indications of gold. Threatened rain all day, but little fell. Not much rain in this region. Some of the valleys are like bottoms and good land, which would be valuable, say, 1,000 miles south. Travelled west and north for some miles to get round a large lake that lies across the path we should take, the lake probably 50 miles in length. Thursday—A nice dry trail today, making about fifteen miles, and camped on a pleasant spot near a river. A glorious sunset. Passed some graves yesterday on a hillside and fenced in. One had a marker and a cooking pot hung up beside it—for the dead man's use, I suppose. We are now about three days from Selkirk. It is 8:15 as I write and the clouds still reflect the glorious

rays of the sun. It will be quite dark in Victoria now.

At Fort Selkirk.

Sunday, September 12—At Fort Selkirk, where we arrived on Friday after a long march of twenty miles. We are all in good health. Two of our horses gave out and had to be left on the road. They will doubtless be brought along by the next outfit. It will soon be two months since we started from Victoria, and the time has passed quickly even with all its trials and hardships. Sugar all gone for some days, and oatmeal nearly so; flour also, and nothing in store here, no steamer having been up for two years! Find we will have to build rafts to take our cattle either alive or dead to Dawson City. It will take us two weeks or more, and there will be no chance of my coming out by the river (Yukon), as the last boat leaves there on the 23rd. Reports say that provisions will be abnormally high in the Klondike this season. Beef is selling for a dollar a pound. I send this by a party going out, fearing a famine. He goes over our trail. It is a long, hard way for them. One gentleman is from Toronto. The Yukon is a broad, smooth-flowing river, with a current of about six miles an hour. Scarcely anything grows up there. Mr. Pitts, the storekeeper, has a few cabbages that look well. He has to cover them from the night frosts all summer. He uses large canvas bags like sails supported on sticks. His potatoes are about the size of marbles.

Many are passing down the river in boats made at Lake Teslin. We are thinking of making our raft from here, where there is timber of a good size. Across the Yukon from our side is a great wall of lava. The river has cut away the bank, so that it is seen quite distinctly. Dawson, the geologist, says there were three eruptions of a volcano twenty miles away. In one of which the Pelly river, which joins the Yukon here, was turned out of its course, being completely blocked up by the lava. I have gained thirty pounds in weight, surely good evidence of the fine, healthy air. This is the Sabbath, but there is no service at the English mission, as the clergyman has been removed to some other place.

Care of the Complexion.

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Where 'twas always morning and always May,
And true love's heart never part—
Do you remember heart of my heart?

HER AMBITIONS.

Mistress! to unsophisticated maid from the country—I am sadly afraid I shall have to dismiss you, Eliza; your untidy ways—and then the things you break!—
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Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage of mortgage, dated the eleventh day of March, 1896, and registered in the books of the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B.C., on the 25th day of March, 1896 in charge book Vol. 8, folio 128, and numbered 1902, tenders will be received by the undersigned up to the 15th of January next for the purchase of all those pieces or parcels of land situate in the City of Victoria, above said, and known on the official map of the said City as lots numbered 10 and 11, together with all and singular rights and appurtenances thereto in anywise connected with and appertaining thereto. The highest and any tender not necessarily accepted.
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Provincial News.

ASHCROFT.

Charles A. Semlin, M.P.P., leader of the Opposition in the provincial legislature, returned from a few days' visit to the coast cities.

The snow continues to fall and good sleighing is had all along the coast. Sleighing parties are being indulged in by the inhabitants.

Word has been received from R. T. Ward from San Francisco, secretary of the Horsey Gold Mining Company, whose works are at Horsey river, B. C., that satisfactory arrangements have been made to carry the company's indebtedness, and accordingly assessment No. 2 of 90 cents per share on the company's capital stock has been rescinded by order of the board of directors.

Reports from Lillooet says that work on the Ida May and Ben dog group of claims is being continued and both properties are showing up well. Mr. Gibson, manager of the Ida May, is at present in Vancouver. When he left the tunnel was 51 feet. The ledge is widening out and is all good ore, and a full force of men are working night and day. The company have just completed the purchase of the Ida May claim, adjoining the Ida May, making three in the group. On the Ida May there is a good ledge similar to that on the Ida May.—B. C. Mining Journal.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland, Dec. 18.—Considered from a mining standpoint, the past week has been a highly satisfactory one. Another shipper has been added to the list in the Evening Star, which has sent forty tons to the smelter and expects to make further shipments this week. By the way, an option of 30,000 shares in this company, held by the Eastern Mining Syndicate, expired on Friday and, although nothing positive has been heard from the syndicate, it is almost certain that the option will be taken up. The property is in excellent shape.

The Le Roi Company has practically completed the extensive surface improvements undertaken on the property and work has been resumed full blast underground. It is expected that from now on close on to 2,000 tons of ore will be raised weekly. The company's smelter at Northport will be ready to commence operations about January 1st.

The Le Roi's big neighbor to the north, the War Eagle, is in splendid shape. Work in one of the recently discovered ore chutes has actually been suspended for lack of space to store the ore.

In the matter of the property, which has not been devoid of interest, perhaps the most important was the discovery in the Abie Lincoln, on Deer Park Mountain, of a three-foot streak of some of the richest copper in the camp. It carries copper carbonate and red oxide of copper in unusually high proportions. The Coxey, likewise, is getting good ore, while the Deer Park is sustaining the reputation it has so well won.

There is nothing new in the way of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's proposed smelter and railway, but the West Kootenay Electric Power Company expects to be furnishing motive force to the mines here by the middle of January. In this connection comes the proposed plant of the Taylor Air-Compressing Company, which will compress air by water power and pipe it to the various properties in the camp. The promoters say that their main business and, as the project seems to be feasible, it would, if completed, prove a formidable rival to Sir Charles Ross' big electric power plant.

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NEW WESTMINSTER.

A steamer is being built in this city for special service on the Skeena river.

Already in the early stages of the sidewalk coasting in this city a chapter of serious accidents have happened. On Friday evening a son of Mr. Sawyer, of Twelfth street, had his leg broken; a son of Mr. Douglas had his head severely cut; and besides these two bad accidents, there were several others of a minor nature. Is it not time that some action was taken in the matter by the city authorities for the prevention of children running the risk of fracturing their limbs, as well as the danger of, incurring a fatal accident? Every winter one or more accidents of a serious nature happen and there are at the present time in this city several children who are maimed, perhaps for life, through accidents while coasting. The prevention should be an easy matter, if gone about in a thorough manner, and it should be dealt with at once.

A special meeting of the board of trade was held on Friday afternoon, when the proposed closing of the support of Dyea by the American government was considered. The result of the meeting was the dispatch of the following telegram to Sir Richard Cartwright, Dominion minister of trade and commerce: "American coast cities are strongly urging their government to alter customs regulations in Alaska, or impose conditions such as will virtually prevent Canadian goods going to the Klondike, via Dyea, throwing the entire trade into the hands of Americans; but the board is confident that prompt and effective action will be taken to protect Canadian interests with respect to this important trade." Mr. Aulay Morrison, M.P., also wired the minister to the same effect, and the following reply was received from the deputy minister yesterday: "An directive by minister to acknowledge receipt of yours, re Dyea and Tazewell, and to say the matter is receiving consideration."

A charge of burglary was effected at Stannan City on Friday last by Constable Marquette, of Mission City, Station Agent James Schofield and Reclamation Thompson. On Thursday night the Bellevue Hotel at Mission City, of which Mr. P. Barnhart is now the proprietor, was burglarized and \$51 taken from the till. Entrance was effected by cutting a hole in the door. The burglar started off for the boundary line, but just enough snow had fallen to leave his tracks and the police were soon in pursuit. Blinding that he was being followed, the burglar hid the money in a barrel and took to the woods. Finally, however, he was caught and was recognized by Constable Marquette as Julio

THE RUSSIAN GREEN ROOM.

While M. Faure was visiting the Casar he was given the title of High Excellency, and he was put to bed in the very room where the Grand Duke Constantine and his beautiful Polish wife slept when they lived in the Peterhof palace. Every one who has read that delightful story "The Green Room," will be pleased to know that this huge room has been somewhat changed since their occupation. M. Faure's bed was of the modern style, entirely gilded and placed in the middle of the room. The floor was of light-colored parquet. The light is exceedingly trying in the Casar's palaces, for the windows are without shutters. But when the president of the French republic awoke he found this light intercepted by a superb Psyche made of Serees china, pale blue and gold, and provided with not less than 100 toilet accessories, all in pure gold. We imagine that foreign palaces must be fitted up with every luxury, but there can be just as much inconvenience in the abode of royalty as in any back-woods cabin. For one thing is, or has been until very recently, absent from this splendid apartment, and that is the bathroom, without which the average American thinks he can't exist. Trundling a bath tub into a sleeping room when the inmate wishes to take a wash is the primitive and usual practice of most of the royal palaces, if foreign chronicles are to be credited. The reputation of M. Faure for personal cleanliness has been excellently preserved, as this great bath of a room in the Peterhof was supplied with every device for the toilet save hot running water, the most needed of modern luxuries, after all.—Boston Herald.

MRS. SLIM'S JOKE ON THE DOGS.

The man who was doing the talking had endured a good many hard knocks while making a successful way through the world, and, like most persons who have survived such experiences, has very decided opinions of his own. "I've always regarded woman as the weaker vessel," he said, "but I want to say right here that Mrs. Slim is a very remarkable person. I don't believe she could tell a Percheron from a Kentucky thoroughbred, yet I saw her start a balky horse the other day, and twenty men and boys had been kicking, beating and cursing the poor brute for half an hour. The percheron she used was a couple of humps of sugar and a few kind words.

"But it was just yesterday that she convinced me of her great superiority. You can gauge her knowledge of dogs from the fact that she paid \$5 for a long haired mongrel puppy, under the impression that she was buying an aristocratic pug. Slim has a bull terrier that's a professional fighter, and Percheron, who lives next door, owns a big St. Bernard. The two dogs began an argument through the fence, and the larger one simplified matters by crashing through a board into Slim's yard. The whole neighborhood was soon engaged in an effort to part them. Strong hands tugged at tails, legs and ears. Clubs were freely used, water was dashed on the bellicious, and the stern orders from them to 'break away' could be heard blocks off. When Mrs. Slim appeared by water power and pipe it to the various properties in the camp. The promoters say that their main business and, as the project seems to be feasible, it would, if completed, prove a formidable rival to Sir Charles Ross' big electric power plant.

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INDUSTRIAL CENTRES OF FUTURE.

Will Be in the Footfalls, Electric Power Coming From Mountains.

The modern industrial city has been developed at its rapid expansion upon its superior advantages with respect to cost, that is, it must have either a navigable waterway or be a natural railway receiving and distributing centre or be the natural focus of a coal and iron region. And this will be the case in the future. The power, as a rule, will be produced in the mountains, while the city will be situated far and wide over the foothills. There will be better air, more room, better drainage, more civilized conditions of living than in the case with the present overcrowded industrial centres, built for the most part on the narrow valley of the valleys of great rivers. Under the pressure of dear coal and with the attraction of cheap water-power, the future city will be located, as indicated by Lord Kelvin, the highlands of Scotland will become industrially more important to Great Britain than the comparatively flat midlands; Switzerland, Norway and Sweden, the Austrian Tyrol and Transylvania may become the industrial centres of Europe, owing to their superiority in water power.

At the present time, the course of manufacturing will seek the sources of the great river or of rivers not great which have a rapid fall. In distant lands we find English engineers already making plans for saving the energy of the falls of the Nile, the Nile valley, Cairo, and it is well within the bounds of probability that the Nile cataraacts will some day supply the power necessary for the industrial centre of Egypt. We too often think of Hindostan as a great plain, forgetting that the Himalayas mountains, the highest on the globe, give birth to the Ganges, the Indus, the Brahmaputra and the Oxus, all of which, with their mountain tributaries, reach the plains after taking innumerable giant leaps down the mountain sides. It is nonsense to say that the development of this vast power is visionary; the falls of the Zambesi are much more within the range of civilization today than any part of Montana, for example, in the United States, was 30 years ago.—Cassier's Magazine.

"Hathley has a wonderfully well stored mind, hasn't he?"

"He ought to have never taken anything out of it."—Chicago Journal.

"Depend upon it, where there's smoke there's fire."

"Why did you say that?"

"I've proved it. It was against the rules to smoke in our office. I smoked and was fired." Philadelphia North American.

HAVE FAITH IN FETTERES.

Many Colored People Believe That Snake Skin Will Ward Off Evil.

Belief in the efficacy of fetters is still prevalent among a certain class of colored people in this city, and probably no one has the superstition brought so forcibly to his attention as Head Keeper Manley of the zoo, says the Philadelphia Record. "Constant applications are made to him for materials for love charms by both sexes. Most often the request is for a little piece of snake skin, which, when powdered by a witch doctor and put in a locket, to be suspended from the possessor's neck is considered to be a sure winner of affection. To supply the demand a number of skins taken from the reptiles that die in captivity are always kept on hand. The soft breast feathers from the African gray parrots are saved for other women, who prize them just as highly. Keeper Manley is called upon to supply fetters to insure success in love as well as in life. Several negro prize fighters well known in the local ring carry a little bunch of hair clipped from the tuft on the end of the old lion's tail. These fetters are thought to give the wearer unbounded courage and strength.

DRINK WAS HIS REGIMEN.


Old Yeoman Who Hadn't Been to Bed Sober in Fifty Years.

The late Justice Denman once tried a case in an agricultural parish which mainly turned upon the recollections of the old inhabitants, says the Argonaut. One of these was a hale and vigorous yeoman of 85, whose erect figure, keen intelligence and clear testimony created so strong an impression in the court that the judge questioned him concerning his mode of life. The witness explained that he was a teetotaler and a total abstainer. The judge, in dismissing him, expressed a hope that all who were present might profit by his example, and then the next witness was called. This was another yeoman, the elder brother of the preceding, and fully a match for him in strength, activity and intelligence. He was about to retire the judge stopped him and said: "I presume that you make the preservation of your strength and faculties to a careful observation of the same sobriety and of the same regimen which has been so well described by your brother? Hadn't been to bed sober for 50 years?" Hadn't been to bed sober for 50 years, and was the unshaking and unexpected reply.

CUSTOMS OF CHRISTMAS.

"Gift-making is one of the most gracious features of Christmas and one that I pray may survive the changes of time," writes Florence Hill Winterburn in the "When Love and Sympathy are Close Cousins." The gift is a token of affection, a token of love, and it is the custom of the world to give it. It is a custom that is as old as the world, and it is a custom that is as universal as the air. It is a custom that is as noble as the soul, and it is a custom that is as beautiful as the flowers. It is a custom that is as sweet as the honey, and it is a custom that is as pure as the snow. It is a custom that is as kind as the sun, and it is a custom that is as gentle as the rain. It is a custom that is as true as the stars, and it is a custom that is as faithful as the moon. It is a custom that is as brave as the lion, and it is a custom that is as meek as the lamb. It is a custom that is as strong as the oak, and it is a custom that is as tender as the rose. 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Victoria Rugby Team at Last Scores a Win Over the Hornets of Nanaimo.

How the Home Team Managed to Accomplish the Unexpected—Some Brilliant Plays.

Saturday afternoon before a fair sized crowd the Victoria rugby football team defeated the Nanaimo team by 18 points to nothing, and in doing so they got even for a long line of beatings administered to them by the hitherto invincible Hornets. The game was a beauty, chuck full of splendid runs, good catching and kicking, and hard, clean tackles. Two features of the match tickled the crowd immensely—one was a beautiful drop kick from the field by Schofield, scoring four points, and the other was a try, which was actually converted. In place kicking the team can learn a lot. Surely it would not take long to find out who is the best place kicker on the team, and when once he is settled on he should do it all. Captain A. T. Goward at half back was a corker and directed the movements of his team in a skillful manner. He is the best captain Victoria has had in many a day. The game was commenced about 3 o'clock by Captain Bamford, and the Hornets for a few minutes had the best of the play, the Victoria forwards, with the exception of Macrae, at first seeming to be asleep, and wandering about with a far away look, and time and again failing to fall on the ball. However, they soon realised that they must get a move on, and move they did. A. T. Goward from a scrumage passed to Schofield, who ran and placed to Schofield, and he in turn gave it to Cullen, who ran for thirty yards and then passed to Schofield, who was thrown, and was trying hard to wiggle over the line when the zealous Macrae grabbed the ball and fell on it over the line, securing the first try. The kick was a difficult one, but "Giddy" Goward, who, at full back, played a good game, drove the ball just over the bar and the Victoria team were on "easy street" with five points to their credit.

A series of scrummages followed, from one of which A. T. Goward got away and looked like scoring, but Bamford and Quine nipped him. Then followed a general mix-up, in which Schofield got the ball, and there being no chance for him to run, he took a quick shot at goal and scored. Score, 6-0. It was quite the prettiest play of the day, and the crowd showed its appreciation by giving the long-haired player an ovation.

The play from now until the whistle blew for half time was in the centre of the field. When the teams lined up for the second half Nanaimo was one man short, their full back, Dempster, having been hurt. He had been doing some hard tackling and was badly shaken up. Quine returned the kick off and gained on the exchange, but the ball was carried down by Goward too near the line and Nanaimo touched down in defence. Bamford kicked off and his followers, led by the active Wilcox, rushed the ball well up the field. They made a lot of ground by kicking high and following up, thus giving the Victoria back division no chance to run or kick. This was the only time they looked really like scoring, but Cullen stopped a good run started by Bamford, who skirted the scrumage in quick style. Goward then made a short run and passed to Gamble, who ran and passed to Wilson, who went over for another try. "Giddy" Goward could not kick a goal this time. After this Victoria had things all their own way and went over several times, but were called back for offside plays. Haines and Goward both made good runs, and the latter passed to Gamble, who had been working like a Trojan, and this time he would not be denied. He failed to convert his try into a goal. Nanaimo then rushed the ball to very near Victoria's goal line, but the speedy Schofield, who eluded everybody for seventy-five yards and then fell. Soon after Loveland ran around the end and touched the ball down directly behind the goal. Haines did not come anywhere near kicking a goal of the place kick.

Nothing of interest happened after this. For Nanaimo Bamford made several good short runs and Wilcox and Quine were also especially noticeable.

For Victoria Captain Goward, Macrae and the three-quarters, Gamble, Wilson, Cullen and Schofield, were the shining lights. Cullen now plays like a veteran, and on a slippery ground is a wonder at keeping on his feet.

As usual "Bob" Foster was very much in evidence, and once when things were getting a little slow he called out to Gamble to kick in the neck, a dog that was getting interested in the scrumage.

E. E. Billingshurst was referee and Temple Cornwall and Todd Holmes carried the flags on the touch line.

After the Game.
Hats off to Captain A. T. Goward. It is rumored that Frank Cullen is going to run for alderman in James Bay ward.

Keneth Macrae is not a fast sprinter, but he follows up the best of any man on the team.

Clark Gamble and Kenny Schofield have been kept busy since the game opening letters from lady admirers asking for locks of their hair.

When Frank Cullen skirts the scrumage it reminds one of the old days when he used to cut rings around "Chub" Quiney.

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President Polk in the White House chair, while in Lowell was Doctor Ayer. Both were busy for human weal. One to govern and one to heal. And, as a president's power of will sometimes depends on a liver-pill, Mr. Polk took Ayer's Pills for his liver, 50 years ago.

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MISSING MEN ARE PICKED UP

Twelve of the Men From the Stranded Cleveland Found by the Quadra.

George Carillo, the Waiter, Dies From Exposure and Cold—The Rescued.

Second Mate Henderson's Boat Containing Nine Men Is Still Missing.

Thirteen of the missing men from the wrecked steamer Cleveland have been found, one of them, George Carillo, dead, but the other twelve alive and not a great deal the worse for their terrible experience. Another boat with nine men in it is still missing.

The two boats, those commanded by the first and third mates, were found by the Dominion Government steamer Quadra, on Friday last, the first mate's at Rafael Point, Flores Island, at the entrance to Clayquot Sound, and the third mate's at Hesquiat, just above Flores Island. The rescued men are:

- S. P. Burfee, first officer
- H. Meirin, third officer
- R. P. O'Neill, 1st asst. engineer
- E. Thomas, 2nd asst. engineer
- R. Iulster, carpenter
- P. Marin, seaman
- Thomas McColl, seaman
- Alfred Falkner, seaman
- D. Cawley, fireman
- J. Harmand, fireman
- E. H. Packer, pantryman
- Frank Gerthan, passenger
- W. L. Dietrick, passenger
- George Carillo, waiter (dead)

Those still missing are:

- L. F. B. Henderson, second mate
- N. Munro, steward
- Walter Davis, cook
- A. Boyken, assistant cook
- John Gallagher, fireman
- John Foster, seaman
- Ber' Larsen, seaman
- Alfrik Kolning, seaman
- Hendrick Deleiron, seaman

There is still a faint hope that this other boat will be found some way up the coast, as no parts of the missing boat could be found along the beach. The only things found were a box of biscuits and a bundle of waste. These were found at Uclulet, just north of where the three boats parted from the captain's boat. It may be that the second officer tried to make land after leaving the ship, in which case his boat must have been dashed to pieces. The other two kept away from the breakers, and as Captain Irving predicted, were driven north by the storm. All day Friday, the day they left the Cleveland, the two boats were buffeted around by the storm, and the occupants had little or no food. When they did make shore they were all more dead than alive. It was Friday when the first mate's boat was found on Flores Island, 30 miles above Barclay Sound, and shortly afterwards the third mate's was found at Hesquiat. The Quadra returned to Alberni with the rescued men where they received medical treatment.

Superintendent Hussey received a dispatch from Constable McKenna stating that seven Indians and one white man, arrested for looting the wrecked steamer, were to be tried summarily today. Most of the property has been recovered.

Captain Metcalf, Lloyd's surveyor in San Francisco, and Mr. E. Tyson, representing Captain Nelson, the owner of the wrecked vessel, arrived here this morning from San Francisco. They are now making arrangements for a wrecking expedition to go to Barclay Sound, and if possible wreck the stranded vessel. It was their intention to send the wrecking steamer Whitlaw, which is now here for another cargo of the old iron from the San Pedro, up to the

wreck, but as the Cleveland is lying in waters which are not contiguous to the United States, no American vessel may wreck her. Collector Milne refuses to allow the Whitlaw to go. Captain Metcalf and Mr. Tyson are petitioning the government to allow them to use the Whitlaw, but it is not thought permission will be granted. Should permission be withheld they will charter the tug Caesar and proceed to the wreck as soon as possible with crews laden with the necessary wrecking appliances.

The steamer Maude left for Barclay Sound this morning to endeavor to wreck the stranded steamer Cleveland.

BACK FROM FAIRVIEW.

Return of W. A. Dier and A. A. Davidson—The Tin Horn a Success.

A. A. Davidson and W. A. Dier, of the firm of Dier, Davidson & Russell, the Fairview mining operators, returned on Saturday evening from Fairview, where they have been for some time past superintending work on their various properties and the erection of the stamp mill on the Tin Horn mine.

The result of the mill run on the Tin Horn proved in every sense highly satisfactory. Owing to the incompleteness of the mill and that lack of proper facilities which is experienced in all such undertakings at the start, the mill test was not as complete as might have been desired; but enough was accomplished to prove beyond all shadow of a doubt that the Tin Horn is "a stinner" and as valuable a property as the most sanguine anticipated.

Fairview itself is decidedly lively. Buildings are being erected on every hand, population is pouring in and there is every indication of the advent of an era of prosperity with the arrival of spring.

Development on all the mining properties in the camp is being vigorously pushed. The Steamwinder is showing up remarkably well, a 7-foot ledge of very rich ore being recently uncovered. The owners of the Joe Danvers mine have commenced operations on the site of the large stamp mill to be erected on their property.

Messrs. Dier and Davidson will spend the holidays in Victoria, afterwards returning to Fairview.

PERSONALS.

S. Tingley, of Ashcroft, is a guest at the Driad.

J. E. Clifton, of Tacoma, is at the New England.

M. Gutman returned this morning from the Sound.

Dr. Powell was a passenger last evening from Vancouver.

Charles Ratray and wife returned this morning from California.

J. J. Shalleron returned this morning from a visit to the Sound.

H. Hirschel-Cohen is at the Driad, having just returned from London.

P. B. Wallace, of Toronto, leather merchant, is a guest of the Victoria.

Joseph Magnus and daughter, of Vancouver, have this evening for California.

J. H. Todd will be a passenger for San Francisco on the Umatilla this evening.

R. W. Jennings, attorney, of Port Townsend, is a guest at the New England.

George McL. Brown, executive agent of the C.P.R. at Vancouver, is at the Driad.

Arthur Mallin and wife, of New Westminster, are in the city on their way to California.

Malcolm McPhie, superintendent of the Oceanic Packing Co., is stopping at the Wilson.

J. Holm, of Munn, Holland & Co., was a passenger on the City of Kingston this morning.

Edward Kelly and wife, of San Francisco, are spending a few days in the city. They are guests at the Victoria.

J. Collins, of Kelowna, B. C., is in the city for a few days in the interests of his large tobacco industries. He is registered at the Victoria.

Miss Annie Blackwood, of Portland, was a passenger to Victoria on the steamer City of Kingston this morning. She is visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. Blackwood.

J. K. McKenna and wife are at the Wilson. They have been enjoying their honeymoon in Victoria, and leave on the Champlain tonight for Vancouver, their future home.

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